



Adult Faith Formation Workshops at the Atlanta Catechist Conference

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2-09 Nurturing Adult Spirituality—Ann Marie Martin—The General Directory for Catechesis tells us that mature adult faith is a “living, explicit, and fruitful confession of faith”(82). Adults come to us at all stages of faith. We will explore spiritual practices and prayer experiences that lead adults at any stage of faith development to live their lives as followers of Jesus. Spiritual practices to be considered will include praying the liturgy of the hours, Stations of the Cross, fasting, lectio divina, pilgrimage, contemplative prayer, and praying with images. **(BL2, Learner)**



3-08 Adult Faith: To Teach As Jesus Did—Lorraine Miller—Let’s explore some of the ways that Jesus taught and apply those principle teaching methods and how they can inspire and enlighten the way we do adult catechesis. **(AM3, IALM, Methods)**



4-08 Adult Faith Formation Matters...A Lot!—Dr. Andrew Lichtenwalner—Unpack the priority of Adult Faith Formation (AFF), providing an overview of AFF through the lens of key Church documents and posing the practical (and challenging) applications of the Church’s vision for parishes and leaders today. **(AM2, Methods)**

5-08 Evangelization: Cultivating Disciples for Christ Through Adult Faith Formation—Monica Oppermann—Expect an interactive workshop that explores the meaning of evangelization, and its importance in adult faith formation as part of the whole process of cultivating disciples. Presentation will include time for reflection and interactive discussion. **(AM1, Learner)**



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Ann Marie Martin—In January Ann Marie celebrated her 35th wedding anniversary to the love of her life, Jim. They have 3 adult sons, 2 dogs and 1 cat. Ann Marie attended the Loyola Institute for Ministry program for Religious Education and has been teaching at St. Ann's on the Adult Faith Formation staff for 5 years.



Lorraine Miller—Lorraine Miller is the Director of Faith Formation at St. Philip Benizi Catholic Church. She has been involved in ministry to children and adults for over 30 years. She previously worked at a parish in the Diocese of Ft. Worth. Lorraine has a BS in Education, a Certificate in Comprehensive Biblical Studies from the University of Dallas, and an MA in Pastoral Studies from Loyola University.



Dr. Andrew Lichtenwalner—Andy grew up in Atlanta. His faith deepened through his family and in Catholic school, campus ministry, and parish life. Andy married his college sweetheart (blessed with three kids), earned an MA and PhD in theology, and worked for the US Conference of Catholic Bishops for twelve years before returning home to Georgia, a dream come true.



Monica Oppermann—Monica Oppermann is an Associate Director of Evangelization in the Office of Formation and Discipleship in the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Monica has been serving the Church of Atlanta for the past 20 years, focusing on evangelization, discipleship development and parish renewal. She is a coach for Alpha, Amazing Parish, Called and Gifted, and a passionate speaker on Evangelization and its importance in helping people meet the love of Jesus Christ.